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Method For Shaping Materials With Plasma-Inducing

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with their duty to disclose information which may be material to patentability under 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants are submitting herewith (i) one page of Form PTO-1449 listing a number of references which are believed to be pertinent to the disclosure of the above-identified application, and (ii) copies of the listed references, as follows:

German Patent No. 44 34 409, dated 4/4/96;

German Patent No. 196 18 045, dated 11/13/97; and

German Patent No. 197 41 329, dated 10/22/98.

It is respectfully requested that these documents be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 be returned to the undersigned with the next Official Action.

It is believed that this disclosure complies with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. If for some reason the Examiner considers otherwise, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be contacted by the Examiner by telephone in order that any deficiencies may be expeditiously remedied.

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